HB 681 -- Compulsory School Age

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Currently, once a student is enrolled in kindergarten or first grade, even though the student is below the compulsory school age of seven years, the student's parent or guardian is required to ensure the regular attendance of the student. However, any student below the compulsory school age may be withdrawn from the school's attendance rolls upon written request. This bill requires the request to be because of a transfer to another school, health reasons, or the parent's belief that the child's best interests are served by withdrawal after discussing educational options with school personnel.